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ALLIES AGAIN FORCE GERMANS BACK IN TODAY'S BIG DRIVE

CAPPS TO HAVE EXPERT CORPS TO ASSIST IN RETAIL WORK

President and Chairman Hurley, of the Shipping Board, Have Confidence in the Admirals.

By DAVID LAWRENCE.
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Travails of expansion are temporarily affecting the Government's immense project of shipbuilding—nothing else. Admiral Capps isn't going to resign or to be relieved of his post as general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation as published articles today confidently predicted.

But the naval constructor, reluctant at first to delegate to others some of the tasks for which he is primarily responsible, is going to surround himself with a body of assistants—emergency specialists and business men of executive capacity.

Has Been Overworking.
Admiral Capps has been overworking. His health is none too good and eighteen hours of steady labor every day has caused anxiety to his friends. They have been urging that he detail some of his work. He has come to that point of view himself now and is creating an auxiliary organization.

There is no friction with Chairman Hurley or anyone else. The job of shipbuilding is the biggest enterprise before the Government today, exceeding in difficulties the enlargement of our military establishment.

Men are quickly drafted, cannon mounts rapidly built. Results are immediately visible. Ships cannot be built overnight. They take months of construction. Hence a spirit of impatience which is intensified frequently by the disgruntled who have failed to get contracts. Some of the fault-finders have begun an insidious campaign believing that an exploitation of trouble in the shipping corporation will promptly lead to change in the personnel of its management.

Has Inspired Confidence.
President Wilson has confidence in Admiral Capps, and so has Chairman Hurley, of the Shipping Board. And they will not be swayed by the critics who are making weaknesses of administrative detail the basis for an effort to upset the whole arrangement put into effect after the departure of Messrs. Goodale and Dorman.

Chairman Hurley says there is complete harmony, and his word can be taken at full value. He and Admiral Capps work together without the slightest friction. The suggestion that some business men of the same type as compose the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense be assigned to help Admiral Capps has arisen within the shipping organization itself, and is due not to a lack of appreciation of the work being done by Admiral Capps, but a conviction that no one man can do the task which the eminent naval constructor has been trying to do for several weeks and maintain his health.

75 Per Cent Are Let.
Admiral Capps has now let 75 per cent of the contracts, and is turning his attention to production. Everybody who applied could not be given contracts, and some of those who failed even formed an association to make demands of the Government. But the President and Chairman Hurley are well aware of what is going on, and the propaganda will not succeed.

Of course, Lord Northcliffe's plea for more ships happens to be coincident with the pressure for an acceleration of activity in the Emergency Fleet Corporation, but it proceeds from an entirely different cause. The British journalist who heads the English war mission here naturally thinks as do all British officials, that the vessels the United States which had originally been contracted for by the British companies should be turned over on completion to the British admiralty.

This is entirely aside from the question of who shall own these ships after the war though a decided feeling prevails among officials of the United States Government that since the ships are the product of American labor and American material they should become part of the merchant

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Mexican Warrior On Visit Here



General Alvaro Obregon.

Former secretary of war under Carranza, who is completing a tour of the United States with a short stay in the Capital.

ALVARO OBREGON, MEXICAN LEADER, VISITS THIS CITY

Gen. Alvaro Obregon, Mexico's greatest military leader, and the former secretary of war in Carranza's cabinet, is in Washington today closing a tour of the United States.

The Mexican military chief, hero of a hundred battles, came to Washington from New York last night. He was three days in New York, but succeeded in eluding the vigilance of the press and his presence there was unknown.

It was not so easy for the Mexican chieftain to remain in Washington unobserved, however, as his quarters at the Ebbitt House have been filled all day with a stream of callers, one of the first among them being Ignacio Bonillas, the Mexican ambassador.

Right Arm Missing.
General Obregon carries an empty sleeve. His right arm was shot away in the sanguinary campaign with the Villista revolutionists two years ago at the turning point of the battle of Leon, Guanajuato, when Villa, crushed and defeated, was started on the downward path that eliminated him from power in Mexico.

"Villa," General Obregon said when asked about his former military opponent: "Villa is hiding in the mountains, a plain bandit, just as he was before he started his military career." "Revolution is over in Mexico," General Obregon continued. "Peace has been restored, railroads are being rebuilt and the country is progressing under President Carranza along normal lines."

"What about Mexico's attitude in the war?" General Obregon was asked. "Will Mexico join the allies?" "Mexico will maintain her neutrality," Obregon replied. He said, however, he had been on his trip in the United States for several weeks, visiting the principal cities from the Pacific to the Atlantic and had not kept informed as to recent developments.

Appeals for Rooms
FOR U. S. WAR CLERKS

"Rent one of your vacant rooms to one of Uncle Sam's war clerks. If you do, you will be performing a duty almost as important as buying a Liberty bond."

This was the plea made to members of the Women's Alliance of all Souls Unitarian Church today by Mrs. Archibald Hopkins, civic workers, today.

"I have heard that at least 100 clerks are contemplating resigning their positions here and leaving Washington because they cannot find proper housing accommodations," said Mrs. Hopkins.

Mrs. Hopkins pointed out that in many homes a study of economy in space will make a room available for rental to a government employee.

LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE TO END TOMORROW AT ELLIPSE RALLY

McAdoo and Solicitor General Davis to Address Meeting. Capital Confident of Raising \$20,000,000 Quota.

The Liberty loan campaign in the District will be brought to a climax tomorrow afternoon with a great mass meeting on the Ellipse, where Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Solicitor General John W. Davis are to speak, and where it is hoped 100,000 people will gather.

The meeting will be held at 3:30, and in order that the thousands of Government workers may attend, the various departments will close at 3 o'clock. In addition to this, the Liberty Loan Committee has requested that department stores and business organizations excuse their employees between 3 and 5 o'clock in order that they may be at the rally. Many of the larger organizations are expected to turn out en masse and march through the streets to the Ellipse, singing patriotic songs and carrying large banners identifying them.

Erecting Grandstand.
A large grandstand is being erected on the Ellipse today for the guests of honor. These will include the entire Cabinet, the reserve board, the District Commissioners, Secretary to the President, the department heads and chief clerks. Mrs. McAdoo, and Mrs. Antoinette Fink, chairman and vice chairman of the women's Liberty loan committee, and others high in official life here.

Plans are being perfected today for a volume of music which is expected to rival that of the Great Lakes Band. Every available band will be combined with the Marine Band, under the leadership of Director Santelmann. The bands which already have been procured include the Marine Band, the Naval Gun Factory Band, the Cavalry Band, the Twelfth Field Artillery Band, and the Engineer Band.

Yesterday Banner Day.
Yesterday was the biggest day of the Liberty loan campaign thus far in number of subscribers, a total of 11,479 individual subscriptions being made. The total amount subscribed yesterday was \$1,525,209. This brings the total subscribed in the District to date up to \$14,850,000, and makes the total number of subscribers 41,867.

The Liberty Loan Committee is confident that by the close of business tomorrow night the \$20,000,000 quota will have been passed.

The Soldiers' Home reports subscriptions to Liberty bonds by its inmates of more than \$200 per capita. Great enthusiasm was aroused among the old soldiers at a meeting Thursday evening at Poon's Cafeteria, of the Liberty loan committee, addressed by Mr. Consaul.

Mr. Consaul addressed the boys of the National Cathedral School at a meeting this afternoon at 1 o'clock. Eugene E. Thompson, secretary of the Liberty loan committee, addressed employees of the Department of Commerce at 2:30 this afternoon.

Schedule of Addresses.
The schedule of addresses for the various theaters tonight is as follows: Belasco, Edward Clifford; Keith's, Frederick J. Harkin; National, John Burke; Pol's Eugene E. Thompson; American, Guy Mason; Apollo, T. W. Akin; Arcade Auditorium, C. F. Roberts; Circle, F. M. Savage; Hippodrome, Robert L. Montague; Howard, Charles E. McNabb; Knickerbocker, William McNeir; Loew's Columbia, Judge William H. DeLoach; Lyric, John A. Petty; Masonic Auditorium, J. B. Torbett; Olympic, C. F. Consaul; Penn Gardens, F. M. Savage; Truxton, Guy Mason; Washington, T. D. Galloway; Dunbarton, E. Hilton Jackson; Elite, E. Hilton Jackson; Stanton, George J. Hecht; Avenue Grand, Charles M. Galloway; Garden, John B. Cochran; Strand, J. B. Torbett; Palace, I. Foster; Cosmos, Julius E. Peyser; Crandall, I. C. Foster; Savoy, Kenneth Romney; Leader, William E. Shannon; Empress, Thomas Shepard; Virginia, W. J. Barrows; Gayety, William E. Shannon.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, who has just returned from a twenty-five day tour for the loan that carried

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Col. Dan Moore Was Man Who Blinded T. R.'s Eye

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—Col. Dan T. Moore, of the 310th Field Artillery, stationed at Camp Meade, Md., is the officer whose punch blinded Col. Theodore Roosevelt's left eye at the White House in 1905, according to a story published by the New York Evening Sun today.

"I can't tell about the blow," Colonel Moore is quoted as saying. "When you put on the gloves with President Roosevelt it was a case of fight all the way."

Identification of Colonel Moore as the officer who disabled Colonel Roosevelt's eye corroborates statements made to The Times by White House attaches last Monday. Colonel Roosevelt said the officer who disabled his eye was a "young captain of artillery" then on his staff of aides. Colonel Moore served as President Roosevelt's aide and was one of his regular boxing partners. He was later on the general staff.

GERMANS SNEER AT PROPOSED AIR RAID BY ALLIES

By JOHN GRANDENS.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

BERLIN, Via London, Oct. 26.—If the allies, and England in particular, hope by bombing unfortified German cities to bring Germany to her knees, that hope is in vain, according to the belief expressed in the highest official quarters today.

Would Retaliate.
"English—The heavy training of English flyers will make their losses four to one of ours, proved by official casualty lists. Moreover, American flyers are also training heavily and on a mass scale, which is likely also to increase the disparity of losses."

"Fifth—Our home defense is of proved ability—for instance on occasion of recent French raids."

London Raids Just.
"Our enemies hope the lack of raw material will force us to our knees. That hope is fruitless. We have solved the problem of substitutes so well that the English are considering whether they should not imitate some of these substitutes."

"Our raids on London are justified. Lloyd George in June, 1915, declared that London had become a second Woolwich. (Note: Woolwich is one of England's great arsenals and munitions plants.)"

"Hitherto whereas our enemies have incessantly bombed open towns such as Karlsruhe, Frankfurt-on-Main, Freiburg and Tübingen, the effect of such brutalities on the population has been the opposite of that intended. It has strengthened the public's determination to hold on."

Allies "Incapable."
"We know the allies are incapable of an increased air offensive, because:—"

"First—On account of bad winter climatic conditions in central Europe."

"Second—If the conclusion of the Flanders offensive releases British planes, it will likewise release German planes."

"Third—According to entente principles in our hands, America is not in a position to send many machines—even by next spring."

DANIELS VICTOR
IN FIGHT WITH
THE NAVY LEAGUE

In view of the fact that Secretary Daniels has now forbidden the reception on vessels or in navy yards of any gifts, in bulk, except those sent through the Red Cross, the comforts committee of the Navy League has requested the New York Naval Auxiliary of the Red Cross to consent to distribution to the men of the navy the knitted articles which the comforts committee supplies.

Since April, 1917, the New York headquarters of the comforts committee has placed 55,000 knitted garments on vessels, in navy yards and training stations.

SEEKS RELEASE OF SON
WHO ABUSED PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Efforts are being made today by Prof. Karl Pletsch, professor at the University of Chicago, to obtain bonds for the release of his son, Ewald Pletsch, who is in jail charged with threatening the life of President Wilson. Federal authorities are making a thorough investigation of the alleged threat.

It is understood that Pletsch is heir to an estate in Germany, and has relatives in the German army. His claim of exemption has been denied, and he has been ordered to report to Camp Grant, January 1.

Change of Schedules, Chesapeake & Ohio Railway.
Effective Sunday, October 28th, train now leaving Washington at 2:30 P. M. will leave at 2:15 P. M. A new train will leave at 10:15 P. M. arriving at Cincinnati 4:55 P. M. No change in the train now leaving at 11:00 P. M. Adv.

ALLIES FAIL UNLESS U. S. SENDS FOOD, SAYS HOOVER

Foes of Prussianism Cannot Hold Out Unless We Save, Declares Food Administrator in Article for Times.

Throughout the entire United States next week thousands of workers will conduct a campaign to enlist American householders into the food conservation campaign. To explain to the American people why we must save food, Herbert C. Hoover, food administrator, has written the following article for the readers of The Times:

By HERBERT C. HOOVER.

The United States has taken its place in the war for democracy against autocracy, and we have pledged ourselves to do all in our power for victory. American men, munitions, and money are being mobilized and sent to Europe, but this is not enough.

The nations league against Prussianism cannot succeed unless we also send food. Our allies cannot hold out unless they are protected from the starvation which menaces them.

Not only must we make sure that the soldiers of our allies are kept strong for the fight, but we must in common humanity do all we can to protect the women and children from the sufferings of famine.

Must Save for Allies.
We are trying to accomplish by democratic methods what never before has been achieved except by autocratic regulation. We have set for ourselves the high and inspiring task of saving by voluntary individual effort the food that we must send to Europe.

This food that we must send to our allies we can easily obtain from our own supplies by saving and by substituting for that which we must ship, other foods which cannot be shipped, but which we have in abundance.

This substitution entails no hardship on us and by employing the method of accruing the commodities we send abroad we shall guard against increased prices at home, for if we should ship without regard to saving we would so deplete our stores of some essential foods that we could not hope to control prices.

People Must Work.
Democratic methods involve voluntary action by the people themselves working out their desires by united agreement. To gain the food control which by autocratic methods would be obtained by decree from above, we are endeavoring to persuade the whole American nation to unite with the Government and to observe the advice and directions of the food administration. A week has been set apart to enroll all the households of the nation and all public eating places, and to secure their co-operation in carrying out our program during the war. This service, we feel, is as essential to victory as any other that Americans can render.

PRESIDENT TO VOTE AT
PRINCETON ON NOV. 6

President Wilson will leave Washington November 6 and go to Princeton, N. J., to vote in the State election. This was announced today by Secretary Tumulty, who will accompany him. Tumulty will vote in Jersey City.

PROF. DEVALERA HEADS
SINN FEIN CONVENTION

DUBLIN, Oct. 26.—Prof. Devalera, M. P., was unanimously elected president of the Sinn Fein convention today. His choice was hailed by Count Plunkett as particularly appropriate.

"We are now headed by a statesman as well as by a soldier," he asserted. Dr. Dillon reported that the Sinn Fein movement was growing by leaps and bounds. He said there were now 12,000 Sinn Fein clubs organized in Ireland, with a membership of 250,000 persons.

DIVERTS COAL SHIPMENTS,
Priority Director R. S. Lovett today ordered twenty-four hours' suspension of preference shipments of bituminous coal for the Northwest, beginning midnight, October 28. This was done at the request of Fuel Administrator Garfield to divert coal to Ohio and Michigan to relieve the serious domestic shortage in these two States.

YESTERDAY
The Washington Times
GAINED

8,043 Lines of Advertising (29 cols.)
Over the Corresponding Day (Oct. 26) Last Year

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Publisher.

With U. S. Navy In Hostile Waters



Junius Spencer Morgan.

YOUNG MORGAN IS CHASING U-BOATS IN DANGER ZONE

LONDON, Oct. 26.—Eugene Junius Spencer Morgan is now serving with United States navy forces in European waters. A few days ago Ambassador Page, while taking lunch in the messroom which the embassy now maintains in the basement for the convenience of its big staff, was struck by the particularly sturdy appearance of one young ensign. A few minutes later the young millionaire submarine fighter was introduced to the ambassador.

Resigns Position As
HEAD OF WAR BOARD

Frank A. Scott Retires Because of
Nervous Breakdown.

Frank A. Scott, Cleveland, chairman of the War Industries Board, resigned today. His health was given as the reason.

Scott's illness was a nervous breakdown from overwork on war problems. It was said at his office.

Rumors of friction in the board leading up to his resignation were denied.

GERMANY FLOODS RUSSIA
WITH COUNTERFEIT BILLS

PARIS, Oct. 26.—Well authenticated reports that have reached here reveal that Germany has gone into the business of counterfeiting on a big scale. It will be remembered that she was proved to have forged American passports for the use of spies and agents. It now appears that she is flooding Russia with counterfeit Russian bank notes, issued to the amount of 2,000,000,000 roubles (\$250,000,000). The notes are marvellously engraved and the initials are so perfect that only the most experienced experts can detect the forged from the real notes.

GUNS DESIGNED TO FIRE
200-POUND EXPLOSIVE

PARIS, Oct. 26.—Two enormous guns, designed to fire torpedoes carrying 200 pounds of explosive, with which the Germans were apparently preparing to experiment, were among the military booty captured at Goebenau. Neither of the guns had been fired.

ITALIAN TROOPS LEAVE
BAINSIZZA PLATEAU,
OFFICIAL REPORT SAYS

ROME, Oct. 26.—Evacuation by Italian troops of Bainsizza plateau was officially announced today. The pressure of the Austro-German drive in that sector forced the move.

"From Mt. Maggiore west to Auzza we have withdrawn our boundary, evacuating the Bainsizza plateau," the statement said.

Bainsizza plateau was the main fruit of General Cadorna's great drive last August. His forces conquered the great mountain peaks forming the western boundary of this high ground—Monte Santo, Monte San Gabriele, and Kuk—and then drove the Austrians ahead of them across the comparatively level upper ground.

It is not clear from the official statement whether all of the Bainsizza plateau has been abandoned to the Austro-German forces, or just that portion around Auzza.

GERMANS, DEFEATED, QUIT
GUNS, PREPARING FOR
BIG RETREAT IN WEST

By HENRY WOOD,
United Press Staff Correspondent.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, Oct. 26.—WITH every hour today there grew evidence that General Pétain's stroke on the Aisne had inflicted on Germany her greatest defeat of 1917.

Demoralized by the trip hammer blows of the great French war machine, the Germans today were abandoning their guns in an effort to retreat across the marshy Alliette valley and the Aisne and Oise canal.

Fighting with the desperation of men who know they are beaten, the enemy gave way for the French wedge until today it had been jam-

SECOND BIG BLOW IN 5 DAYS IS STRUCK

French and British Troops Push Forward Despite Rain and Mud, Adding to Recent Gain of Mile.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—British and French forces in Flanders joined in another great drive today.

"Northern of Ypres British and French troops attacked at 5:55 this morning, and made satisfactory progress," Field Marshal Haig reported. "Rain fell heavily during the latter part of the night, and is continuing today," the official statement added.

Second Severe Blow.
This is the second blow struck by combined French and British forces against Germany's vital spot in Flanders in five days. The French launched Monday carried the French tri-color and the British Union Jack forward on the Passchendaele ridge and drove the enemy back nearly a mile further.

Presumably today's drive is in exactly the same location. All of Haig's operations for the past month—seven blows in all—have been here. The push is to cut the German artery line of communications at Roulers and to menace from the flank the German submarine bases at Zeebrugge and Ostend.

Roulers is now only five miles from the most advanced positions reported before today's resumed drive. Not only that, but the British and French have practically taken all of the high ground of the Passchendaele ridge. As soon as all of this dominating territory is reclaimed, the way will be open to the pivot city—except for the Flanders mud of the intervening lowlands.

Greatest Satisfaction.
The greatest satisfaction was expressed here today over the magnificent evidence afforded by France of her military strength. General Pétain is now conducting two major offensives—one on the Aisne front, by which the Germans have been thrown back in confusion from a key position; the other with the British, in a tremendously important assault in Flanders.

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